

## **STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**Columbia, South Carolina**

**August 11, 2004**

The State Board of Education held its August meeting at ten o'clock, Wednesday morning, August 11, 2004, in the Basement Conference Room of the Rutledge State Office Building. The following State Board members were in attendance: Dr. Mary E. Jones, Chair; Mr. Paul M. (Mike) Forrester, Chair-Elect; Ms. Victoria Belin; Ms. Rebecca Burch; Mr. Jessie Curtis; Mrs. Brenda S. Fort; Mr. John H. Hostetler; Mr. Joe Isaac; Mr. Marion B. Lee; Mrs. Kristin Maguire; Jr.; Dr. Dennis Nielsen; Dr. Harriett L. Rucker; Mrs. Terrye C. Seckinger; and Mr. Phillip Shoopman. Also present was staff of the State Department of Education. *(Board members unable to attend were Dr. Anne S. Crook, Ms. Virginia J. Wilson, and Dr. Kristi Woodall who were excused for their absence.)*

### **OPENING**

The meeting was brought to order by Chair Jones. Mr. Forrester led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF JULY 21, 2004**

Mrs. Maguire moved for the approval of the minutes of the July 21, 2004, meeting. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Fort and then approved by the Board.

### **APPROVAL OF STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION AGENDA**

Mr. Isaac moved for the approval of the agenda. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Seckinger and approved by the Board.

### **RECOGNITION OF VISITORS, INCLUDING NEWS MEDIA**

Chair Jones welcomed the visitors present. No news media were present.

### **STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION REPORT**

### **RECOGNITION OF THE NATIONAL TITLE I DISTINGUISHED SCHOOL**

Superintendent Tenenbaum recognized Saluda River Academy for the Arts in Lexington School District Two for receiving the National Title I Distinguished School Award. Schools are identified for this recognition based on effective implementation of attributes that have been shown to support teaching to high standards.

Superintendent Tenenbaum and State Board member Mr. Jessie Curtis presented a plaque to Barry Bolin, Superintendent; David Sims, Principal; Tonya Fryer,

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Assistant Principal; Ann Malpass, District Title I Coordinator; and Gale McLeod, Teacher, for this outstanding achievement.

**RECOGNITION OF THE WINNERS OF THE ANNUAL SCHOOL BUS TECHNICIANS' ROAD-E-O**

Superintendent Tenenbaum announced that this year thirty-four technicians and inspectors vied for the title of either "South Carolina's Best School Bus Technician" or "South Carolina's Best School Bus Inspector" and the results were:

**School Bus Technicians**

First Place—Randall Mills, Roving Technician Area V (Laurens)

Second Place—Jimmie Jackson, Darlington School Bus Shop

Third Place—Joshua Barrett, Greenville School Bus Shop

**School Bus Inspection**

First Place—Marvin Moore, Chesterfield School Bus Shop

Second Place—Jeremy Martin, Spartanburg School Bus Shop

Third Place—Reginald Price, Darlington School Bus Shop

The first place winner in both the Inspector and Technician categories went to Tulsa, Oklahoma in July to represent South Carolina at the National School Bus Technician's Road-E-O competition. Marvin Moore placed second overall nationally for school bus inspectors.

Superintendent Tenenbaum presented the winners with an engraved trophy for their accomplishments. Randall Mills and Marvin Moore were present to accept their trophies.

**RECOGNITION OF THE EDUCATION COMMISSION OF THE STATES (ECS) STATE INNOVATION AWARD RECIPIENT**

Superintendent Tenenbaum recognized the Center for Educator Recruitment, Retention, and Advancement (CERRA). CERRA was presented one of two State Innovation Awards from the Education Commission of the States for efforts to improve the quality of teaching in hard-to-staff urban and rural schools. Superintendent Tenenbaum presented an award of recognition to Dr. Ann Byrd, Director, CERRA.

**PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

There was one public speaker for this meeting, Mr. Hal Stevenson. Mr. Stevenson spoke regarding cooperation between home school students, public schools, and the High School League.

**RECESS**

The Board recessed to hold Committee meetings.

**RECONVENE FULL BOARD MEETING**

The full Board reconvened.

**STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Mrs. Brenda Fort, Chair**  
**Teacher Recruitment, Training, and Certification Committee**

**Dr. Harriett Rucker, Chair**  
**Curriculum and Instructional Materials Committee**

**Mrs. Kristin Maguire, Chair**  
**Finance and Legislative Committee**

**Dr. Mary Jones, Chair**  
**Educational Policy Committee**

**56. Teacher Recruitment, Training, and Certification Committee**—Mrs. Fort reported that the Teacher Recruitment, Training, and Certification Committee (TRTC) met on Wednesday, August 11, 2004.

**01. Approval of Agenda for August 11, 2004**—Mrs. Fort reported that the agenda for the August 11, 2004, meeting was approved.

**02. Approval of Minutes of July 21, 2004, TRTC Committee Meeting**—Mrs. Fort reported that the minutes from the July 21, 2004, meeting were approved.

**04. Adoption of the revised National Association of the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) standards for early childhood teacher education programs as found in the document Program Standards for Teacher Education Programs in South Carolina Institutions of Higher Learning**

On behalf of the TRTC Committee, Mrs. Fort moved that the State Board of Education adopt the revised National Association of the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) standards for early childhood teacher education programs as found in the document Program Standards for Teacher Education Programs in South Carolina Institutions of Higher Learning. The motion carried with four opposing votes by Mrs. Maguire, Dr. Dennis Nielsen, Mrs. Seckinger, and Mr. Shoopman.

**05. Adoption of revised Council for Exceptional Children (CEC) standards for special education teacher preparation programs as found in the document Program Standards for Teacher Education Programs in South Carolina Institutions of Higher Learning**

On behalf of the TRTC Committee, Mrs. Fort moved that the State Board of Education adopt the revised Council for Exceptional Children (CEC) standards for

special education teacher preparation programs as found in the document Program Standards for Teacher Education Programs in South Carolina Institutions of Higher Learning. The motion carried with four opposing votes by Mrs. Maguire, Dr. Dennis Nielsen, Mrs. Seckinger, and Mr. Shoopman.

**06. Adoption of the American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages (ACTFL) standards for foreign language teacher preparation programs as found in the document Program Standards for Teacher Education Programs in South Carolina Institutions of Higher Learning**

On behalf of the TRTC Committee, Mrs. Fort moved that the State Board of Education adopt the American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages (ACTFL) standards for foreign language teacher preparation programs as found in the document Program Standards for Teacher Education Programs in South Carolina Institutions of Higher Learning. The motion carried with four opposing votes by Mrs. Maguire, Dr. Dennis Nielsen, Mrs. Seckinger, and Mr. Shoopman.

**07. Adoption of revised middle level standards for teacher education programs as found in the document Program Standards for Teacher Education Programs in South Carolina Institutions of Higher Learning**

On behalf of the TRTC Committee, Mrs. Fort moved that the State Board of Education adopt the revised middle level standards for teacher education programs as found in the document Program Standards for Teacher Education Programs in South Carolina Institutions of Higher Learning. The motion carried with four opposing votes by Mrs. Maguire, Dr. Dennis Nielsen, Mrs. Seckinger, and Mr. Shoopman.

**11. Consent Agenda**—Mrs. Fort reported that items 56-08, 56-09, and 56-10 were placed on the consent agenda.

**54. Finance and Legislative Committee**—Mrs. Kristin Maguire reported that the Finance and Legislative Committee met on Wednesday, August 11, 2004.

**01. Approval of Agenda for August 11, 2004**—Mrs. Maguire reported that the agenda for the August 11, 2004, meeting was approved.

**02. Approval of Minutes of July 21, 2004**—Mrs. Maguire reported that the minutes of the July 21, 2004, Finance and Legislative Committee meeting were approved.

**04. Consent Agenda**—Mrs. Maguire reported that item 54-03 was placed on the consent agenda.

Mrs. Maguire reported that the following items were submitted for information:

- **Proposed Instructional Materials Allocation Methodology 2004–05 School Year**

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- **State Board of Education Financial Statements**

**55. Curriculum and Instructional Materials Committee**—Dr. Harriett Rucker reported that the Curriculum and Instructional Materials Committee met on Wednesday, August 11, 2004.

**01. Approval of Agenda for August 11, 2004**—Dr. Rucker reported that the agenda for August 11, 2004, was approved.

**02. Approval of Minutes of July 21, 2004**—Dr. Rucker reported that the minutes of the July 21, 2004, Curriculum and Instructional Materials Committee meeting were approved.

**04. Consent Agenda**—Dr. Rucker reported that item 55-03 was placed on the consent agenda.

Dr. Rucker reported that the following items were submitted for information:

- **Achievement Levels for the High School Assessment Program (HSAP)**
- **Achievement Levels for the High School Assessment Program Alternate Assessment (HSAP-Alt)**
- **Achievement Levels for End of Course Examination Program (EOCEP)**
- **Update on High Schools That Work**

**52. Educational Policy Committee**—Dr. Jones reported that the Educational Policy Committee met on Wednesday, August 11, 2004.

**01. Approval of Agenda for August 11, 2004**—Dr. Jones reported that the agenda for the August 11, 2004, meeting was approved.

**02. Approval of Educational Policy Committee Minutes of July 21, 2004**—Dr. Jones reported that the minutes for the July 21, 2004, Educational Policy Committee meeting were approved as amended.

**03. Other Business**—Dr. Jones reported that discussion was held regarding upcoming meetings, future study sessions, and the possibility of withholding certain funds from districts until they comply with submitting required reports.

<b>CONSENT AGENDA</b>
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The following items were approved by the Board without further debate upon motion by Mrs. Maguire seconded by Mrs. Fort:

**56-08. State program approval and national unit accreditation protocol agreement (Second Reading)**

The TRTC Committee approved this item as presented.

**56-09. Review cycle for accreditation visits for teacher education units in South Carolina (Second Reading)**

The TRTC Committee approved this item as presented.

**56-10. District ADEPT Plans (continuation)**

The TRTC Committee approved this item as presented.

**55-03. Recommendations for Extensions of Retraining Funds**

The Curriculum and Instructional Materials Committee approved this item as presented.

**54-03. Approval of Waivers for Twenty-one School Districts from EIA Maintenance of Local Effort Requirement for FY 2002-03**

The Finance and Legislative Committee approved this item as presented.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS EDUCATOR LICENSURE ISSUES**

The Board went into executive session to discuss educator licensure issues at 2:10 P.M.

**RETURN TO OPEN SESSION**

The Board returned to open session.

Mrs. Maguire moved that the State Board of Education accept the consent order of public reprimand for Cheryl Stover, educator certificate #125248, for unprofessional conduct. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Fort and approved by the Board.

Mrs. Maguire moved that the State Board of Education accept the consent order of public reprimand for Pamela Rhodes, educator certificate #177728, for unprofessional conduct. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Fort and approved by the Board.

Mrs. Seckinger moved that the State Board of Education accept the consent order of suspension of South Carolina educator certificate #172517 issued to Deborah Primus beginning August 11, 2003, through August 10, 2005, for unprofessional conduct, breach of test security. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Fort and approved by the Board.

Mrs. Maguire moved that the State Board of Education accept the consent order of suspension of South Carolina educator certificate #137132 issued to Jennifer Jenkins beginning June 9, 2003, through June 8, 2006, for unprofessional conduct. The motion was seconded by Ms. Burch and approved by the Board.

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Dr. Rucker moved that the State Board of Education permanently revoke South Carolina educator certificate #209976 issued to Timeka McDuffie for unprofessional conduct effective August 11, 2004. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Maguire and approved by the Board.

Mrs. Maguire moved that the State Board of Education accept the consent order of voluntary surrender of South Carolina educator certificate #204924 issued to Shane Hastings effective July 21, 2004, for unprofessional conduct and that a character and fitness review be required after three years prior to recertification. The motion was seconded by Ms. Burch and approved by the Board.

Mrs. Seckinger moved that the State Board of Education accept the consent order of public reprimand for Susan Hyler, educator certificate #082775, for unprofessional conduct. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Maguire and approved by the Board with one opposing vote by Mrs. Fort.

Dr. Rucker moved that the State Board of Education reinstate an educator certificate for Sherri B. Woodward. The motion was seconded by Ms. Belin and approved by the Board with opposing votes by Mr. Hostetler, Mrs. Maguire, Mrs. Seckinger, and Mr. Shoopman.

Mrs. Fort moved that the State Board of Education issue an initial educator certificate to James E. Butler. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Maguire and approved by the Board.

Mrs. Seckinger moved that the State Board of Education issue an initial educator certificate to Gary L. Phillips. The motion was seconded by Ms. Burch and approved by the Board.

Mrs. Maguire moved that the State Board of Education issue an initial educator certificate to Amanda M. Volk upon receipt of a court order of expungement, a statement from the judge, or a statement from the attorney within the next six months. The motion was seconded by Mr. Isaac and approved by the Board.

**APPEAL FROM THE CHARTER SCHOOL ADVISORY COMMITTEE/  
LOWER FLORENCE ACADEMY**

Shelly Kelly, Esquire, Office of General Counsel, presented the appeal from the Charter School Advisory Committee/Lower Florence Academy. Mrs. Kelly explained the process and procedures of the appeal and distributed information from both the Charter School Advisory Committee and Lower Florence Academy.

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**EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR LEGAL ADVICE REGARDING THE CHARTER SCHOOL  
APPEAL**

The Board went into executive session for legal advice regarding the charter school appeal at 3:57 P.M.

**RETURN TO OPEN SESSION**

The Board returned to open session at 4:25 P.M.

Mrs. Maguire moved that the State Board of Education uphold the decision of the Charter School Advisory Committee to deny the application of Lower Florence Academy as incomplete. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Seckinger and approved by the Board.

Ms. Burch, Mrs. Seckinger, and Mrs. Fort will work with the Office of General Counsel to draft an order.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business the Board adjourned at 4:27 P.M.

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Chair

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Secretary

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